GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - Forest Department – Disciplinary action against Sri R.C.P. Kumar, Deputy Range Officer(Retd), formerly worked on deputation as plantation Manager in Dr.M.C.R. HRD Institute of A.P., Hyderabad – Inquiry finalized and findings received – Imposition of penalty of 2% cut in pension for a period of one (1) year and the absence period in (2) two spells i.e., (22-12-2012 to 5-01-2013) & (12-03-2013 to 11-05-2013) is treated as leave which he is eligible - Show-Cause-Notice issued –Explanation received – Final orders - Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SEC.IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No.55 Dated:04-07-2015
Read the following:

1. From the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P., Hyderabad, Lr. Rc.No.12821/2014/K1, dt:24-05-2014.
2. From Sri R.C.P. Kumar, DRO(Retd.,)representation dt. Nil.
3. Govt.Memo.No.3704/Sec.IV/A2/2014, Dt:27.09.2014.
4. From the Prl.CCF Lr.Rc.No.12821/2014/Vig-2, Dt: 11.11.2014.
5. Govt. Memo.No.3704/Sec.IV/A2/2014, Dt:20-02-2015.
6. From the Prl.CCF Lr.Rc.No.12821/2014/Vig-4, Dt: 20.03.2015.
7. Govt. Letter No.3704/Sec.IV/A2/2014, Dated:28-05-2015.
8. From the Secy(FAC) APPSC Lr.No.470/RT/3/2014, Dt:8.9.2015.

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ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad has informed that an Article of Charge was issued against Sri R.C.P. Kumar, Deputy Range Officer (Retd) vide Conservator of Forests Rc.No.5410/2013/M3 dt:26.09.2013, on the following counts:-

Article:- That Sri R.C.P. Kumar, Dy.RO, while working as plantation Manager on Deputation basis in Dr.M.C.R.H.R.D Institute of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad, had grossly neglected his duty, irresponsible, not heeding to the instructions of his superior officers, which reveals by his un-authorized availment of leave from 22.12.2012 to 05.01.2013 from 12.03.2013 to 11.05.2013 without prior permission and sanction from the competent authorities, and then onwards willfully absented to duty caused dislocation of institution works.

Thus he has exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of Government Servant and thereby contravened Rule 3 of the AP Civil Services (Conduct) Rules 1964.

2. The Charged Officer acknowledged the receipt of Article of Charge on 4-10-2013 and submitted written statement of defense on 18.10.2013. Not satisfied with the explanation of the charged officer, the Conservator of Forests Kurnool appointed Divisional Forest Officer, Kurnool (T) & Forest Range Officer Dhone as Inquiry Officer & Presenting Officer respectively, vide her ref.No.5410/2013/M3 (i) dt:27.10.2013. After conducting regular enquiry the Inquiry Officer has submitted findings vide Ref. No. 2322/2013/H10 dt:29.10.2013, in which he held the charge proved.

3. The Inquiry Officer findings were communicated to the Charged Officer vide Conservator of Forests, Kurnool Rc.No.5410/2013/M4, dt:11.01.2014. Though he acknowledged the final notice on 22.01.2014, he did not submit his further defense so far.

4. The Charged Officer retired from service on attaining the age of superannuation on 31.10.2010. Hence, the disciplinary proceedings are continued under Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

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5. After careful examination of the matter, with reference to the findings of the Inquiry Officer, the remarks of the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, and material made available, it is observed that the charges framed against the Charged Officer are held proved and it is provisionally decided to impose a penalty of 2% cut in pension for a period of one year on the charged officer Sri R.C.P. Kumar, Deputy Range Officer (Retd), under rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 and the absence period in (2) two spells i.e., (22-12-2012 to 5-01-2013) & (12-03-2013 to 11-05-2013) is treated as leave which he is eligible.

6. Accordingly, a Show-Cause-Notice was issued to the retired officer vide reference 5th read above. The Charged Officer submitted his further explanation through the reference 6th read above and in which he has agreed to the proposed punishment.

7. Government after careful examination of the matter hereby order to impose the penalty of 2% cut in pension for a period of one year and the absence period in (2) two spells i.e., (22-12-2012 to 5-01-2013) & (12-03-2013 to 11-05-2013) is treated as leave which he is eligible on the charged officer Sri R.C.P. Kumar, Deputy Range Officer (Retd), under rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

8. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad is requested to take action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ASHWINI KUMAR PARIDA
SPECAIL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
The Individual (through Principal Chief Conservator of Forests).

Copy to:
The Accountant General (A&E) A.P., Hyderabad.
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, Hyderabad, A.P.
The Secretary(FAC), A.P. Public Service Commission, Hyderabad(with ref. to Lr.No.470/RT/3/2014, Dt:08.09.2015.)
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SECTION OFFICER